The issue of land was deliberated in the context of poor utilization of Heavy Earth Moving Machinery in certain mines and projects due to non-availability of land.

(b) The reasons identified for low performance of washeries in CIL were mainly due to depletion of good quality coking coal in Jharia Coalfield and declining availability of raw coking coal from the linked mines. Besides, many washeries are obsolete in technology and equipment life. Matrix of raw coal qaulity feed has undergone change and is below wahery design parameters for handling.

To meet the above problem several initiatives for modernization/ renovation of washeries have been taken up by coal companies in stages. The estimated investment requirement for modernization/renovation has been estimated as Rs. 185.1 crores. In addition, for promoting coal beneficiation, Ministry of Coal has issued necessary guidelines to coal companies to facilitate setting up of coal washeries by private sector. CIL is also exploring possibilities for setting up of washeries on Build and Opeate basis.

CIL proposes to acquire properties abroad on its own as well as through joint venture arrangements with other Central Public Sector Undertakings.

Eradication of social problems

*59. SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have drawn any plan to eradicate poverty, illiteracy and unemployment from the country within a time-bound programme;

(b) if so, the details of the plan:

(c) whether State Governments have been requested to implement the plan of eradication of these social problems, within a time-bound period; and

(d) if so, the details in this regard and the response of the State Governments?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN): (a) and (b) The Government is in process of finalizing the Eleventh Five Year Plan. The Government has drawn Plan to eradicate poverty, illiteracy and unemployment from the country within a time-bound programme in the Approach Paper to Eleventh Five Year Plan as per details given below:

During the Eleventh Five Year Plan period (2007—2012):

Poverty

1. Accelerate growth rate of GDP from 8% to 10% and then maintain at 10% in the 12th Plan in order to double per capita income by 2016-17.
2. Increase agriculutural GDP growth rate to 4% per year to ensure a broader spread of benefits.
3. Reduce the headcount ratio of consumption poverty by 10 percentage points.

Unemployment

1. Create 70 million new work opportunities.
2. Reduce educated unemployment to below 5%
3. Raise real wage rate of unskilled workers by 20 per cent.

Illiteracy

1. Reduce drop out rates of children from elementary school from 52.2% in 2003-04 to 20% by 2011-12.
2. Develop minimum standards of educational attainment in elementary school, and by regular testing monitor effectiveness of education to ensure quality.
3. Increase literacy rate for persons of age 7 years or more to 85%.
4. Lower gender gap in literacy to 10 percentage points
5. Increase the percentage of each cohort going to higher education from the present 10 to 15% by the end of the 11th Plan.

Source: approach Paper to Eleventh Plan, Planning Commission.

(c) and (d) The State Governments are also in process of finalizing State Plans for the Eleventh Five Year Plan period. Each of these targets

have been disaggregated State-wise, and the State Governments are preparing their Eleventh Five Year Plan document accordingly.

Funds for A.P. cities

*60. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received proposals from State Government of Andhra Pradesh for release of funds for development of cities in the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof, city-wise;

(c) the amount of Central funds released during the current year for development of cities in Andhra Pradesh; and

(d) the details of utilization of these funds, city-wise?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) to (d) The details of proposals received from State Government of Andhra Pradesh for release of funds for development of cities in the State under the schemes being implemented by this Ministry, the amount of Central funds released during the current year and details of utilization of funds so far, are as follows:—

(i) Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM):—

The Government of India launched Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM) on 3rd December, 2005 to give focused attention to integrated development of urban infrastructure and services in select 63 cities covered under the Mission, with emphasis on provision of basic services to the urban poor inluding housing, water supply, sanitation, storm water drainage, slum improvement. The mission period is 7 years (2005-06 to 2011-12)

Hyderabad, Vijaywada and Visakhapatnam of Andhra Pradesh are covered under the scheme.

Under the submission on Urban Infrastructure and Governance of JNNURM, 59 proposals have been received from State Government